

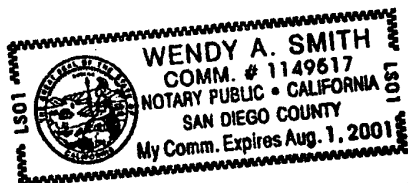


State of California
County of San Diego

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On this 18 of May, 1998 before me Wendy A. Smith
Personally appeared Ryan Herckert & Fenghua Liu

personally known to me - or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies) and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s) or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) executed the instrument.



Witness my hand and official seal.

[Signature]
(Signature of Notary)